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SUBJECT: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR AMBASSADORS

1. DRAFT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES TRANSMITTED REFTEL B ARE APPROVED WITH FOLLOWING SUGGESTED CHANGES.

2. PROMOTE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT. REVISE SUBPARAGRAPH C AS FOLLOWS: IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE THROUGH HEALTH PROGRAMS FOR THE RURAL POOR AND PROGRAMS FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT. ENCOURAGE THE GOS TO ADOPT AND AMPLEMENT A PLICY FAVORABLE TO POPULTATION PLANNING.

3. FOSTERING REGIONAL COOPERATION. NO CHANGE.

4. PROMOTE US TRADE AND INVESTMENT.

A. ELIMINATE "PROMOTE US BUSINESS PARTICIPATION IN THIRD INTERNATIONAL FAIR OF DAKAR." COMMENT: DAKAR FAIR IS NOT NECESSARILY RELEVANT TO PROMOTION OF US COMMERCIAL INTERESTS, AND I AM THEREFORE RELUCTANT TO APPLY PRESSURE TO US BUSINESS FIRMS. THERE ARE POLITICAL AND CULTURAL INTERESTS TO BE ENHANCED AT DAKAR FAIR, HOWEVER, AND THIS OBJECTIVE WILL BE PROMOTED BY PARTICIPANS OF USIA EXHIBIT ON TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY. I WOULD RATHER BASE OUR PRESENCE AT FAIR ON ONE SOLID AND PRESITGIOUS EXHIBIT, CONFIDENTIAL

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AND NOT HAVE ANY RELUCTANT PRIVATE EXHIBITORS WITH LESS THAN ADEQUATE APPEARANCES.

B. ADD : "SEEK OPPORTUNITIES FOR US INVESTORS IN AGRO-INDUSTRY, IN BASIC MANUFACTURING, AND IN TOURISM." COMMENT: MY INITIAL IMPRESSION IS THAT SENEGAL MAY BE STARTING TO BECOME INTERESTING IN THIS AREA WHICH

DESERVES OUR INCREASING ATTENTION.

/ SECURITY ASSISTANCE. ADD THIRD PARAGRAPH AS
FOLLOWS: ENCOURAGE CONTINUATION OF GOS POLICY TO
MAINTAIN ARMS BALANCE AT PRESENT LEVEL IN WEST AFRICA
AND NOT INCREASE SOPHISTICATION OF WEAPONS BEYOND THAT
PRESENTLY MAINTAINED IN SURROUNDING COUNTRIES.

6 POLITICAL - DIPLOMATIC (NEW SECTION).

-- ENCOURAGE CONTINUATION OF GOS OPPOSITION TO COMMUNIST
BLOC AND LIBYAN/ALGERIAN MILITARY INTERVENTION IN AFRICA.

-- IN LIGHT OF PRESIDENT SENGHOR'S ENHANCED STATURE IN
AFRICA, SEEK TO ENLIST HIS SUPPORT FOR US POLICIES,
ESPECIALLY THOSE PERTAINING TO SOUTHERN AFRICA, THE
MIDDLE EAST, THE NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE, AND PROTECTION
OF US INVESTMENTS.

7. CULTURAL (NEW SECTION).

SEEK EXPANSION OF CULTURAL TIES, PLACING SPECIAL
EMPHASIS ON SENEGALESE INTEREST IN ENHANCING RELA-
TIONS WITH AFRO-AMERICAN CULTURE.

8. CONSULAR (NEW SECTION).

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DO WHATEVER WE CAN TO CONTRIBUTE TO SUCCESS OF
MAJOR US TOURIST INFLUX RELATED TO "ROOTS" PHENOMENON,
AND TO ALLEVIATE PROBLEMS WHICH MAY ARISE.
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